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DONAVIN MURDER CASE
MAY BE TRIED JAN. 16

January Term of Circuit Court Now in Session and Grand Jury Is Busy.

OLD CASES CALLED TOMORROW

Judge Farrand on the Bench and Clerk McMahon Serving.

The January term of the Lee County Circuit Court convened at 1:30 Monday afternoon with Judge Farrand on the bench and the other officers of the court present. The docket this term contains 151 cases aside from those on the criminal calendar. Of this number 83 are on the law side and 68 are cases in chancery.

Only 18 criminal cases are now recorded on the docket, but the number will be increased by the work of the grand jury now in session.

The grand jury was called and each answered to his name. Henry Hillison of China was chosen and sworn as foreman and Julius Lloyd of Nelson appointed clerk.

The call of the old law and chancery dockets was postponed until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock. A general order was entered for the opening of depositions.

John Daum of Alto, one of the grand jurors, was called home last evening by the illness of his wife.

The case of John Henry Donavin, charged with the murder of Saloonist George Goyen of Steward on the evening of September 15th, while not yet set for trial will probably be called for Monday, January 16th.

Orders were taken in the following cases yesterday afternoon and this morning:

The People vs John Henry Donavin. Murder. Defendant being present in court in person, and by his counsel, Trusdell and Smith, and Russell, and he having been furnished with a copy of the indictment, names of witnesses and list of jurors, and being arraigned by and through his attorneys, enters his plea of not guilty.

The people etc vs John Donovan assault with intent to commit rape. Defendant being present in court in person and by his counsel Trusdell and Smith and having been furnished with a copy of the indictment, names of witnesses and list of jurors and being arraigned by and through his attorneys enters his plea of not guilty.

Mary J. Darrow vs Lena Shaw Trespass on the case. By agreement case continued until next term of court.

Wm. J. McAlpine vs Lee Co. Tele. Co. Injunction--Leave given complainant to file supplement bill.

Eda E. Shoemaker vs W. S. Smith et al. Relief--Complainant moves the court for an order and rule upon the Master to bring into Court the money realized from sale of land in Chancery case No. 2325. Also moves the court for a rule upon parties that they give notice to complaints of all motions to be asked for in Chancery case No. 2325.

Asks \$10,000 for Boy's Leg.

The street railway accident in Rockford several months ago, which resulted in the loss of a leg for Francis H. Colehour, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Colehour, is the basis of a suit filed in the Winnebago circuit court Friday.

Mr. Colehour, as father of the boy, brings action for \$10,000 damages against the road. Mr. Colehour is the well known insurance representative, connected with the American Insurance company.

Killed in Hold-up.

William Simons, formerly of Elgin, is dead in the Cook County Hospital as the result of injuries received in a hold up. It is supposed that the thugs secured a sum of money but as he was seriously injured when taken to the hospital the circumstances of the affair could not be learned. His relatives in Elgin knew but little of the particulars. The body was brought there Thursday and was buried yesterday.

Case Not Appealed.

The case of the People vs. Knight was not appealed, the twenty days within which time appeal proceedings must be started having expired yesterday. The fine of \$3 and costs of \$12.80 were paid by defendants.

SHURTLEFF TO BE SPEAKER
OF THE ILLINOIS HOUSE

Selected by House Members in Caucus Held This Afternoon at Springfield.

JAPANESE ENTER PORT ARTHUR

An Attempt to Kill Emperor Nicholas Is Reported.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH:

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—The House members held a caucus this afternoon and Edward D. Shurtleff of Marengo, McHenry county, was nominated by the republicans for speaker. Wm. E. Trautman of East St. Louis withdrew. Shurtleff promised to be neutral on the question of United States senator.

Entire Family Burned to Death.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH:

Elmira, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Frank N. Noweski, wife and seven children, were burned to death in their home at Morris Run, Pa.

Would Kill Emperor Nicholas.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH:

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—There is a rumor here that an attempt has been made upon the life of Emperor Nicholas at Vienna. No details or confirmation of report received.

Japs Enter Port Arthur.

Special to THE TELEGRAPH:

Tokio, Jan. 3.—General Nogi with his victorious army has marched into Port Arthur. The guns on the hills that for months have been ceaselessly in action are stilled. General Stoessel at headquarters is receiving General Nogi.

I. F. EDWARDS APPOINTED

Member of Legislative Committee of State Teachers' Association.

County Superintendent I. F. Edwards today received the following dispatch from Caroline Grote, secretary of the Illinois Teacher's association:

"Pittsfield, Ill., Jan. 2.—County Superintendent I. F. Edwards, I have the honor to inform you that you were appointed a member of the legislative committee of the State Teachers' association at its recent meeting."

This appointment was made by Supt. of Schools Cooley of Chicago, president of the association. W. J. Barthoff of the Hamilton school in Chicago is chairman of the committee.

The purpose of this committee is to see that the bills pertaining to school matters are properly looked after in the legislature. This appointment is not only an honor to Mr. Edwards but places him in a position where he can do much good work for the schools of the state.

CONDITION OF COUNTY SCHOOLS.

County Supt. Edwards has visited 123 schools since September 1 out of the 162 districts in the county. The average attendance at these schools is seventeen, and the teaching force numbers 260. During the year of 1904 two new schools have been built; the Weisbar school of Bradford township and the Fouk school of West Brooklyn township.

Burial of Mrs. Widmer.

Mrs. J. O. Widmer, who died Thursday night at Lanark, was buried Sunday morning at that place. She had been ill for eighteen weeks. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. Milton Stahl and for several years resided in this city.

Dancing School Wednesday Night.

Prof. Peterson's dancing school will be held tomorrow night as usual at the G. G. Rosbrook hall. Newman's orchestra will play.

William Philpott went to Chicago

this morning on business.

Miss Mary Alice Gillen has returned to Wisconsin after a visit with Miss Bess Morrison.

MARRIED IN HARMON

Thomas E. Burns and Miss Josephine Dowd Were Married Monday.

The wedding of Thomas E. Burns of Chicago and Miss Josephine Dowd of Harmon occurred at high noon Monday in St. Flannan's church and was conducted by Rev. Father Ryan in the presence of the immediate friends of the parties.

The bride was gowned in a blue broadcloth traveling dress and her sister, Miss Elizabeth Dowd, who acted as bridesmaid, was dressed in brown broadcloth. A brother, William Dowd, was groomsmen. Following the ceremony an elaborate wedding breakfast was served.

Mr. Burns is a son of the late Owen Burns and is in the grocery business in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Burns left for Chicago Monday evening. Miss Mary Dowd and Charles Dowd, sister and brother of the bride, were out from Chicago to attend the wedding.

ASHTON WATER WORKS

Modern Equipment Will Be Installed by Company Now Organizing.

Ashton, Ill., Jan. 3.—The town board of Ashton has granted a franchise to Dr. H. J. Bremmer of this place to lay mains in the streets and operate a water works system. This will be a marked public improvement for Ashton and is the outcome of a long expressed need.

A company is being organized to include Atty. V. H. Myers, H. A. Bremmer, Brown Garrett and possibly one or two others to back the project of putting in a modern constructed and operated waterworks plant.

Jed Shaw, brother of the Editor of THE TELEGRAPH, is quite ill at his home in Washington. He formerly resided in Dixon.

A PECULIAR SUIT.

Mr. Walker has commenced litigation against the town gas plant, having served notice against the board that they have no right to sell gas to the citizens.

NORTH DIXON ALUMNI

Will Hold Mid-Winter Business Meeting Friday Evening.

The mid-winter business meeting of the North Dixon Alumni association will be held at the high school building on Friday evening, January 6th, at 7:30. Election of officers and other business of importance will be transacted at this time and all members are earnestly requested to be present.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Anniversary of Happy Event Celebrated by Mr. and Mrs. Coakley.

Fifty years ago Mr. and Mrs. Ira Coakley of College avenue were united in marriage and the date falling on Saturday quite a gathering of relatives were present to congratulate them upon their long and well spent lives. Mr. and Mrs. Coakley have resided in Dixon many years and have hosts of friends who concur in these good wishes.

Purchased Parcel Delivery.

Ed. H. Chadwick has purchased and taken immediate possession of the parcel delivery wagon of Henry Hill. Mr. Chadwick has a large acquaintance in Dixon and closes six years service at the I. B. Countryman Co. grocery to take up his new work. His headquarters will be at Rowland Bros' store and every order left there for him will be given prompt attention.

—Perry Burdick was in from Elgin Saturday.

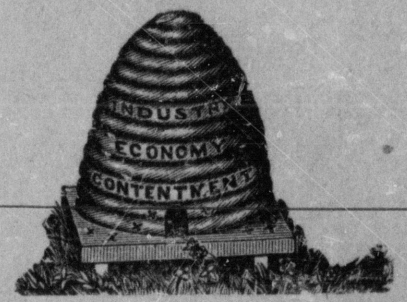
—John Platt of Franklin Grove was here Saturday.

—Norman Platt of Franklin Grove was in town Saturday on legal business.

—Miss Carrie Selig returned to Chicago last night after a visit with relatives here.

—Mrs. Carrie Fritz returned to Mendota Saturday after a three days visit in the city.

—Chas. A. Well left last night for Rugby, N. Dak., after a two week's visit with his family in this city.



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THE WEATHER

CHICAGO, Ill., JAN. 3 9:50 a. m.
The following are the weather indications for Northern Illinois:
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PAOS. Iron, Copper, Bottles, anything that can be turned into money should not be burned out you should call up 418 Lee County phone and I will call and pay you cash for them. Or write me—S. Rubenstein, 119 North Peoria. 71st&27st

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ABOUT two miles north of town on Hazelwood rd., a small black hand satchel. Finder please leave at this office. 30773

A PACKAGE containing clothing between First and Ninth streets on Peoria avenue. Finder please leave at Valle & O'Malley's 305-tf

RAILROAD TIME TABLE

CHICAGO & NORTH-WESTERN RAILROAD.

WEST BOUND.

No. 3-1:52 a. m.—Pacific Express
No. 13-10:23 a. m.—Clinton Local
No. 5-12:44 p. m.—Omaha Pass
No. 7-3:45 p. m.—Cedar Rapids Pass
No. 17-6:49 p. m.—Sterling Pass
No. 25-9:45 p. m.—N. W. & Dak. Spl
No. 11-10:23 p. m.—Colorado Spl
No. 1-10:23 p. m.—Overland Lim.
No. 83-7:40 a. m.—Peoria passenger
No. 131-11 a. m.—Freight, passengers from Franklin Grove to Clinton.

EAST BOUND.

No. 8-3:25 a. m.—Omaha and Chi. Exp
No. 6-4:52 a. m.—Atlantic Exp
No. 16-6:16 a. m.—Iowa & Dak. Spl
No. 2-6:37 a. m.—Overland Lim.
No. 18-7:19 a. m.—Sterling Pass
No. 30-10:32 a. m.—Ced. Rapids Pass
No. 14-3:50 p. m.—Des Moines Pass
No. 12-6:17 p. m.—Chicago Spl
No. 28-4:15 p. m.—Clinton Pass
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NORTH BOUND.

No. 132—Omaha Day Express, daily except Sunday 9:37 a. m.
No. 124—Northern Express, daily, 5:40 p. m.
No. 182—Local Freight, except Sunday 12:48 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 123—daily, 10:35 a. m.
No. 131—daily except Sunday, 4:06 p. m.
Amboy Local Freight, daily except Sunday 9:37 a. m.

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EAST CHICAGO AND N. W.

MAIL CLOTHES

No. 18—Sterling Passenger R. P. O.

7:19 a. m. 6:55 a. m.

No. 20—C. R. & C. B. R. P. O.

10:22 a. m. 10:10 a. m.

No. 14—Express pouch

Franklin Grove and Ashton, Ill.

3:52 p. m. 3:30 p. m.

No. 10—C. R. & C. B. R. P. O. does not stop at Dixon a. m. 8:00 p. m. 4:44

WEST.

No. 5—C. R. & C. B. R. P. O.

12:44 p. m. 12:15 p. m.

No. 17—C. R. & C. B. R. P. O.

No. 12—P. O. 6:17 p. m. 5:45 p. m.

No. 9—C. R. & C. B. R. P. O.

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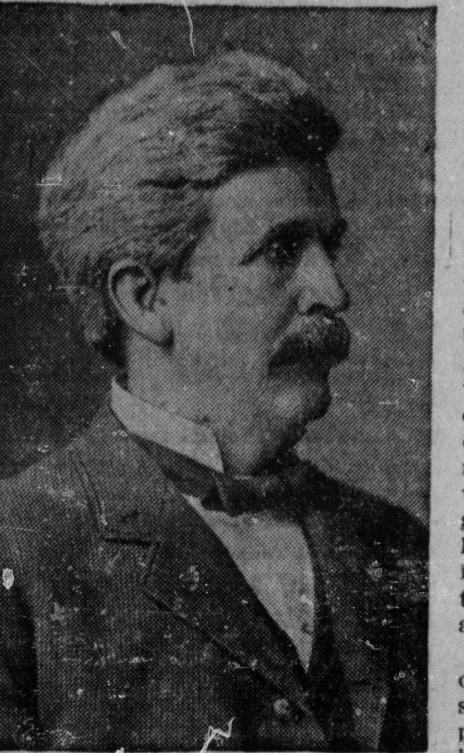
Result of November Election Is Seen in the State Legislature.

MEMBERS READY FOR OPENING

Session Expected To Be Free from Sensational Features of Two Years Ago.

Some of the Principal Subjects for Legislation Which Will Be Considered—Job Seekers Besiege Deneen.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—When Secretary of State Rose calls the lower branch of the Forty-Fourth general assembly to order at noon tomorrow there will be more new faces in the body of the house of representatives than at any previous session within the memory of the oldest member or attache. The unexpected result of the last November election put on the roll of membership a number of persons:



SECRETARY OF STATE ROSE.

who were as much surprised by their unexpected success as were the most hopeful supporters of their opponents. A number of the older members of the house went down in defeat in districts where election was generally considered certain, and the strange faces of the men new to the legislative halls will be seen in their places. In the upper branch the change will be less marked, for the reason that one-half of the senators are hold-overs from the last term, but in this chamber, too, several of the familiar faces of the veterans will be missed.

Recalls the Last Session.

The harmonious opening of the present session serves to more forcibly call to mind the stirring scenes of two years ago, accompanying the organization of the Forty-Third general assembly. Previous to the day the session was convened, a bitter contest was carried on between the supporters of former Speaker Sherman on the one side and the Yates-Lorimer combination on the other. Division of strength was so equal that not until the caucus vote was taken on the question of speakership was it certain which faction would control the house. The few members who had either promised support to both organizations or were claimed by both held the balance of power and neither side to the controversy was sure of their support until their votes were cast. It was in those stirring ante-session days that much of the bitter feeling developed which continued throughout the session and culminated in that remarkable revolt, when Speaker Miller fled from the chair and the anti-administration forces took matters in their own hands.

No Factional Contentions.

When Governor Deneen stands before the joint assembly next Monday and takes upon himself the drastic oath of office prescribed by the constitution he will face a united party, with no factional contentions to cause him concern. Every Republican senator and every Republican representative has declared allegiance to the new administration and, although the session promises to be an important one in the matter of work accomplished, it is expected to be free from the sensational features that attended the session of two years ago.

The platform upon which Mr. Deneen made his race for governor contained three planks, the subject matter of which will occupy much of the attention of the lawmakers. These declarations are for a new charter for the city of Chicago, a new state primary election law and a civil service law to govern state appointees. Mr. Deneen is on record in support of all three propositions and his declarations and actions since elected indicate that he will exert every effort to have them enacted into law.

It is generally expected that the Chicago charter amendment proposition will find little opposition. The people of the metropolis are practically unanimously in favor of the plan, the representatives from the senatorial districts comprised in the city are all pledged to its support and, as the down

state members have little personal concern in the matter, they are willing to give the big city about anything she asks for in the way of a new dress.

Primary Election Measure.

The primary election law measure is likely to meet with decided opposition, however. A number of the members of both branches of the assembly have repeatedly declared opposition to the proposition and some of them practically embodied this opposition in their platform of campaign. While Governor Deneen and the other friends of the measure are enthusiastic in its support, the opposition is prepared to present a formidable array of negative arguments in support of their stand. It is possible that Governor Deneen will be called upon to use his influence on more than one member in order to accomplish this bit of his pet legislation.

The fate of the civil service measure appears to be more precarious even than that of the primary election law. Civil service is considered by many who have given the subject deep study to be beautiful in theory, but absolutely impracticable in the administration of state affairs, except in possibly a few departments. Aside from this, most of the members have a numerous constituency, clamoring for spoils, and all of this constituency is opposed to the application of the merit rule so long as the "other fellows" hold the jobs. It would be positively suicidal for some of the lawmakers to support this sort of legislation.

Aside from these three principal subjects for legislative consideration, there will be the usual number of proposed measures of secondary importance. The opening session always brings out an avalanche of bills on all sorts of subjects and tomorrow will be no exception to the rule. Fully half the members of each branch will introduce one or more bills the first time the roll is called for this purpose.

After Insurance Companies.

An amendment to the anti-trust law, which will specifically name insurance companies as amenable to the act, will be asked of the coming legislature. Attorney General Hamlin has been waging a war against a combination of insurance companies in the southern part of the state and the case is now pending in the appellate court, to which it has been carried. While it is generally contended that the anti-trust law as it now stands, is applicable to insurance companies, it is believed that the act can be made firmer by amendment.

School teachers and other educators of the state have abandoned hope of securing an increase in the annual appropriation for the school fund and have taken a new tack. This time they will ask the solons to divide the fund into two specific parts, one to be devoted to building purposes and the other for the payment of teachers and kindred expenses. Heretofore, the teachers assert, they have been discriminated against under the workings of the Jaul law.

Applications Pouring In.

Governor-Elect Deneen is besieged these days with applications for employment under his administration. It is difficult for one not familiar with such circumstances to realize the volume of mail that comes to a newly elected executive. And probably nineteen out of twenty communications in the executive mail are either applications for appointment or recommendations of applicants. As it is a physical impossibility for any person to even casually read the mail that is received each day by the governor-elect, a corps of clerks is employed, opening, and classifying all letters. These are filed as fast as received and will be given attention by Mr. Deneen as rapidly as possible. While a few of the more important appointments are likely to be announced within a short time, it is probable that no minor changes will be made until the session is well under way.

In the other state departments, few changes are likely to be made in the clerical forces. Secretary of State Rose and Auditor of Public Accounts McCullough are both hold-overs and the clerical forces of both have been brought to a degree of excellence that would be difficult to improve upon. For this reason, it is quite likely that the present force will be maintained in each office. About the capitol, however, there will be a number of new faces. Secretary of State Rose has already made a number of changes in the force of janitors, watchmen and other employees.

Inauguration Preparations.

Preparations for the inauguration of Governor Deneen are progressing satisfactorily and most of the details for the ceremony have already been worked out. All that remains to be given attention is that part of the exercises to be provided for by the legislature. Committees will be named this week by both the senate and house to act for these bodies, in conjunction with the committee of elective state officers having the general arrangements in charge.

Governor Yates is already moving the personal effects of himself and family from the executive mansion, preparatory to vacating for his successor. The retiring governor has decided to take up his residence in Springfield and a handsome stone mansion, to cost some \$20,000, is being constructed for him in Washington Park boulevard, a new and exclusive residence district of the capital. As his own home will not be completed for several months, the governor has temporarily leased a residence in South Seventh street, which the family will occupy until the Yates mansion is ready for occupancy.

Practically all of the newly elected state officers are in the city, to be present at the opening of the general assembly.

S. LEIGH CALL

They Are All In Our Wagon
Now, But
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OAK RIDGE.

Oak Ridge, Jan. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Mumma entertained New Years. Eli's Sauer hauled corn to Dixon market Saturday for Tom Guynn. Wilbur Brooks had the misfortune to lose a horse last week. Mr. Fish drove to Grand Detour Saturday afternoon. Jasper Cox made a trip to Chicago Friday.

John Young drove to Oregon Saturday.

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In the Grip of Environment

By HENRY WINTHROP

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Jim Blakely, the clown, came dashing out of the ring into the dressing tent and stopped short. Nellie Cosgrove was sitting on top of the leaping pad, her usually merry eyes streaming with tears. Beside her stood a man looking exceedingly awkward and uncomfortable.

Circus folk are always resentful of the intrusion of the outside world into their domain, and the fact that this stranger wore a frock coat and an exceedingly shiny silk hat was all that was needed to convince Jim that he was the cause of Nellie's tearful eyes. He strode up wrathfully, his painted face in ludicrous contrast to the intense tones of his voice.

"See here," he said fiercely, "this isn't any place for an outsider, least of all for a bloomin' dude what comes in and insults one of our girls. If you don't get out of here quick you'll be sorry for it, and I won't have to call any 'Hey, Rubel' to do it."

Spangles, the Great Dane, that did a pad riding act as well as leading a



"DON'T, JIM!" SHE SAID PLAINLY.

troupe of trained dogs, pricked up her ears knowingly and rose to her feet. "Hey, Rubel!" the circus war cry from time immemorial, was no new sound to her, and she looked affectionately at the left leg of the stranger's carefully creased trousers, deciding that a spot about four inches below the knee would be the strategic point for a grip.

Nellie raised a hand. "Don't, Jim!" she said plaintively. "He hasn't said anything to me. It's just that they want to take me away."

"Take you away?" he cried incredulously. "Why, you've been with the old show ever since you were a little kiddie, ever since your ma died of yellow fever in Rio, and we picked you up the next season. That was way back in 1892, and you were a little shrimp of twelve. Take you away! I'd like to see the man who'd try it!"

"It's the money," she explained desparingly. "I'm an heiress, and this gentleman is the lawyer. He wants me to go back to New York with him tonight."

For a single moment Blakely's frame grew rigid. The lawyer, a keen observer of men, followed clearly the mental strain the circus man was undergoing. He could see that the girl had never seen, that this man with the uncouth mask of zinc and carmine loved the little rider, and in the brief struggle he read the fight of an honest man with his own desires. In that short space Blakely made his fight. When he spoke his voice was cold and commonplace.

"We always said," he commented, "that your mother's people must be of the right sort. I'm glad of it. Work with the tents isn't for such as you." Then he turned, but more than the makeup came off on the towel as he hurriedly changed his face for the dog act.

As one in a daze he put his pets through their paces, and after the show was over and the concert audience was slowly filing into the show lot he still went about his work as though in a dream.

He had loved and watched over Nellie ever since that time in Rio Janeiro when, "way back in 1892," they had picked up the little slip of a girl, the sole survivor of a circus troupe which had played through South America the season before.

He had known Frank Cosgrove well, a fine, gentlemanly fellow, who had run off with an English girl when her parents had objected to her marrying the "riding master" of an English caravan.

They had come to America to escape memories, and she had taken up with circus life as willingly as though she had not been reared in luxury. It was Blakely who had persuaded Delmore to take the girl into the troupe, and it was he who had completed her education as a rider. Before a broken leg compelled him to take to clowning he had been a wonderful bareback somersaulter himself.

He had hoped some day to make her his wife when the nest egg in a city savings bank had grown large enough to warrant the purchase of a country place and assure a competence when they should have retired. Until then

he had spoken no word of love, but rather had encouraged her to look upon him as her foster father.

Now he was to lose her and all that he had planned and worked and saved for. But it was best for her—that was enough for him.

He took no part in the ring bank chat after supper. He had no heart to sit there about the bank and hear the comment that would be made about the good fortune, and he went out back of the dressing tent, and lighting the short stub of a pipe he carried, blew great clouds of smoke into the soft evening air, as he tried to think what the circus would be on the morrow, with no little Nell to make every one merry.

There in the soft light that came through the tent she found him. Out front all was life and movement. Here they were practically alone. She slipped down beside him on the overturned manger and slipped her hand into his. His horny palm closed over her tiny fingers, and he put away the pipe, but gave no other sign. It was she who opened the conversation.

"I feel like a dream girl tonight," she began confidently. "Don't you remember how we used to plan that if we ever got money we would start a show of our own, and only have in the company people we really liked and make them do only one act apiece?"

He laughed shortly. "It's funny what rot we think. Now you've got the money, you've got to go and live up to it. It would never do for an heiress to ride in the ring."

"I don't want to go a bit," she protested. "This is the life I know and love. I want to stay here and be myself, not another girl all dressed up, with servants and all that sort of thing."

He turned on her sharply. "See here, Nell," he commanded. "Don't talk like that. It's hard work doing two acts twice a day. It's not for you, my girl. Make up your mind to that."

She turned up the turf with the toe of a dainty shoe. "I don't want to make up my mind to it," she protested. "I don't care for the old money. I want to be here with you and all the rest. You hurt me!" she broke off suddenly, releasing her hand from his grasp and rubbing it.

"I didn't mean to hurt you, child," he said sadly. "I was thinking." He could not tell her how that one sentence had torn at his heartstrings, already sore. He rose. "Well, I've got to go in and get Spangles ready. I'll say goodby after the show." He turned on his heel, and presently she could hear him calling to the dog. Then other sounds of preparation began, and presently she, too, went inside.

The "round top" was already packed in the wagons and on its way to the cars when Nellie emerged from the women's side of the dressing tent, where the lawyer waited impatiently for his charge. She went up to the boss property man. "Put my trunk in the wagon, Sam," she said. "I'm going on with the show."

The lawyer blustered and stormed, but she was adamant, and finally he appealed to Blakely.

"You can't go with us, Nell," said the clown, his face as white as though he had not removed his ring makeup. "There is no reason why you should stay on."

She made him a saucy courtesy. "There is every reason, good sir," she smiled. "In the first place, this is my life, the only one I know or want, and besides—she went very close and whispered in his ear—"besides, I found out back of the tent there that—I loved you."

And after that what could Blakely say?

How She Was Won.

Old Friend—So you have at last consented to marry some one. How did it happen? Miss Flippant—Well, every man that has ever proposed before has said, "Will you be my wife?" But Harold asked if he might have the honor of being my husband.—Detroit Free Press.

The Bucket Shop.

"Dad," said little Reginald, "what is a bucket shop?" "A bucket shop, my boy," said the father feelingly; "a bucket shop is a modern coöperation establishment in which a man takes a barrel and brings back the bung-hole."

They Didn't Observe.

"Gentlemen, ye dinna use your faculties of observation," said the old Scotch professor, addressing his class. Here he pushed forward a gallipot containing a chemical compound of exceedingly offensive smell.

"When I was a student," he continued, "I used my sense of taste, see." And with that he dipped his finger into the gallipot and put his finger into his mouth. "Taste it, gentlemen; taste it," said the professor, "and exercise your perceptive faculties."

The gallipot was pushed toward the reluctant class. One by one the students resolutely dipped a finger into the abominable concoction and with many a wry face sucked the abomination from their fingers.

"Gentlemen, gentlemen," said the professor, "I must repeat that ye dinna use your faculties of observation, for if ye had looked mair closely at what I was dainin' the noo ye would have observed that the finger which I put into ma mouth was nae the finger that I dipped into the gallipot!"

FLAG OF JAPAN TO WAVE OVER PORT ARTHUR

Nogi Expects to Enter the Long-Besieged City Today.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE CONCLUDED

Stoessel Accepts on the Whole the Japanese Terms.

MIKADO GENEROUS IN VICTORY

Orders That Military Honors Be Shown the Russian Hero of the Great Siege.

Tokio Editors Criticise Stoessel for Destruction Subsequent to Asking a Truce—Comment on the Event's Effect.

Tokio, Jan. 3, morning. — The Russian and Japanese commissioners appointed to arrange the terms of the capitulation of the Russian forces at Port Arthur signed the compact of surrender at 9:45 o'clock last night.

Washington, Jan. 3. — The Japanese legation has received a cablegram from Tokio saying that the negotiations for the surrender of Port Arthur have been concluded, and that details of the terms of surrender will be cabled later. The cablegram said the articles of capitulation were concluded at 4:30 p. m. yesterday.

Tokio, Jan. 3.—The text of General Nogi's telegram, dated Jan. 2, announcing the capitulation of the Russian forces at Port Arthur is as follows: "The plenipotentiaries of both parties concluded their negotiations today at 4:30 o'clock. The Russian commissioner accepted on the whole the conditions stipulated by us, and consented to capitulate. The document has been prepared and signatures are now being affixed. Simultaneously with the conclusion of negotiations both armies suspended hostilities. It is expected that the Japanese army will enter the city of Port Arthur tomorrow."

Military Honors for Heroes.

Tokio, Jan. 3.—Marshal Yamagata, chief of general staff, under orders from the emperor, has dispatched the following cablegram to General Nogi: "When I respectfully informed his majesty of General Stoessel's proposal for capitulation his majesty was pleased to state that General Stoessel has rendered commendable service to his country in the midst of difficulties, and it is his majesty's wish that military honors be shown to him."

Stoessel Sharply Criticized.

Tokio, Jan. 3, 9 a. m.—General Stoessel is being sharply criticized for destroying the Russian warships, attempting to choke the entrance to the harbor of Port Arthur, and dispatching the torpedo boat destroyers to Chefoo subsequent to his offer to surrender the fortress. The Nichi Nichi says that General Stoessel's action in blowing up the ships after he had offered to surrender leaves a lasting blemish upon his military reputation. The Jiji calls the action mean and unlawful.

Stoessel's Offer to Surrender.

Received by Nogi at 9 P. M., Jan. 1.—Japanese Commander's Reply.

Tokio, Jan. 3.—General Nogi, date of Jan. 2, reports as follows: "At 5 in the afternoon Jan. 1 the enemy's bearer of a flag of truce came into the fort."

line of our position south of Shushiyang, and handed a letter to our officers. The same reached me at 9 o'clock at night. The letter is as follows:

"Judging by the general condition of the whole line of hostile positions held by you I find further resistance at Port Arthur useless and for the purpose of preventing needless sacrifice of lives I propose to hold negotiations with reference to capitulation. Should you consent to the same you



GENERAL ANATOL M. STOESEL.

will please appoint commissioners for discussing the order and conditions regarding capitulation, and also appoint a place for such commissioners to meet the same appointed by me.

"I take this opportunity to convey to your excellency assurances of my respect."

"Stoessel." "Shortly after dawn today I will dispatch our bearer of a flag of truce with the following reply addressed to Stoessel:

"I have the honor to reply to your proposal to hold negotiations regarding the conditions and order of capitulation. For this purpose I have appointed as commissioner Major General Ijichi, chief of staff of our army. He will be accompanied by some staff officers and civil officials. They will meet your commissioners Jan. 2, noon, at Shushiyang. The commissioners of both parties will be empowered to sign a convention for the capitulation without waiting for ratification, and cause the same to take immediate effect. Authorization for such plenary powers shall be signed by the highest officer of both the negotiating parties, and the same shall be exchanged by the respective commissioners.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to convey to your excellency assurances of my respect."

"NOGI."

LATEST FIGHTING AT THE FORTRESS

Nogi's Report of the Capture of Wantal—Russians Destroying.

Tokio, Jan. 2.—General Nogi reporting Sunday night says: "The center and left columns opened an attack against Wantal hill at 9 o'clock today. Availing skillfully of the result of our bombardment our troops stormed into and entirely occupied the position at 3:35 p. m. We captured three guns at H fort and four guns at Wantal. Our trophies at Sungshu mountain were three 7-millimeter field guns, two 57-millimeter and two machine guns."

A dispatch from the Japanese army before Port Arthur, dated Jan. 2, says: "The enemy's forces occupying Keekwan mountain and 'Q' fort, following an explosion at 12:30 this morning, opened a sudden and fierce rifle fire, which suddenly stopped. Our scouts were dispatched to the scene and immediately afterwards found the enemy evacuating these places. Our forces immediately occupied these two forts and also the heights known as 'M' and 'N', south of the forts. This morning almost all the enemy's ships, large and small, were blown up in the entrance and inside the harbor. Our offensive movements have been suspended pending the negotiations."

London, Jan. 2.—The Daily Mail's correspondent with General Nogi says that the capture of Wantal involved six hours of the fiercest fighting, while the attacks on the forts to the southeast were carried on simultaneously. Describing the final scenes, the correspondent says: "The slackened fire at points in northern and eastern forts seemed to show that the Russian ammunition was failing. The position was now desperate. Great explosions around the forts proclaimed that the Russians were exploding their magazines."

"Flames and smoke in the harbor were followed by explosion after explosion, which revealed the destruction of the Russian ships. The Russians also apparently blew up two of their own forts. The battleship Sevastopol was blown up, and the other warships were destroyed as thoroughly as possible. The battleships Retziva and Poitava and the protected cruiser Palvela caught fire."

COMMENT ON THE GREAT EVENT

Will It Make for Peace and Will the Jap Be Robbed Again?

London, Jan. 3. — Port Arthur, whose hills have for months run red with the blood of the bravest of two warlike nations, has at last succumbed to the fierce tenacity of the Japanese attack. General Stoessel, most stubborn in carrying out the will of his sovereign, has seen the advance of the besieging army gain in momentum and energy, until to hold out longer would have been a crime against humanity.

The authorities at St. Petersburg, in the absence of direct official news from General Stoessel that Port Ar-

thur has surrendered, have not permitted the news to become public. Emperor Nicholas is in the south of Russia, and his ministers are for the time being in the dark as to what dispatches have been sent to him from the front. Tokio was the scene of rejoicing, people of all ranks finding in the outcome compensation for all the sacrifice of life and money that was entailed in the ten months' siege.

To what extent the fall of Port Arthur will make for a restoration of peace is an open question. There is an encouraging note in the expression by Baron Hayashi, Japanese minister here, of the "hope that in some way it will facilitate final peace," though the pacific note is perhaps lost in the later words of the minister which call attention to the fact that the besieging army will now be free to go north, where it will be an offset to the reinforcements General Kuropatkin has been receiving from Russia since the battle of Shakhe.

That Japan may not be permitted to retain possession of Port Arthur without dispute is shown in the fact that Paris newspapers are already reviving the claim made in 1901 that the holding of that position commanding the eastern seas by the Japanese would be a menace to European powers.

Destroyers Are Disarming.

Chefoo, Jan. 3.—The Chinese authorities acted promptly in the cases of the four Russian destroyers in this harbor. They are lashed together and being disarmed, while inside and outside the harbor the Japs are watching to see that they do not get away. The Russian destroyers Smirni and Bolki and a merchantman, with 800 wounded on board have arrived from Port Arthur Tsingtau.

Two Brave Generals Killed.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 3.—One piece of news the censor has let get out is the fact that the Russians lost two brave generals at Port Arthur—General Fock and General Kondratenko. Kondratenko was sitting in a casemate consulting with his officers when a Jap shell exploded in front of the casemate, killing the whole party.

Pope Plus Hears the News.

Rome, Jan. 3.—The news of the fall of Port Arthur was received here at first with incredulity. Pope Plus, on hearing the news, exclaimed: "Let us hope that it is an anxiety that the end of the war is near, now that both nations have proved their mettle."

Report of a Jap Repulse.

Mukden, Jan. 3.—A heavy canonade and rifle fire commenced on the Russian camp and continued during the day. It is reported here that the Japanese attacked in an effort to break the center, but were driven back with great loss.

NEW PRESENTMENT COMING

Friends of Dr. Irvine Will Drop the Present Proceedings Against the Bishop and Begin Anew.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.—The developments in the Bishop Talbot case are that the presentment now in existence will be dropped by the friends of Dr. Irvine, because of admitted irregularity in the securing of signatures, and those in charge will proceed to get up a new presentment and take care to have everything to square with the new canon on such matters. Six men at Huntingdon, Pa., have signed a statement that their signatures to the present presentment were obtained by deceit.

Bishop Talbot adheres to his determination to say nothing and the friends of Irvine have suddenly concluded to keep still. They, however, say that the new presentment will reiterate the charges of the old one, and others will be included, based upon another letter written by the bishop which is as denunciatory of Irvine as the famous Upjohn letter.

HISSES FOR SECRETARY HAY

Anti-Peace Faction at Portland, Or., Fights an Indorsement of the President and His Premier.

Portland, Or., Jan. 3.—At a public meeting held in this city called for the purpose of endorsing the efforts of President Roosevelt and Secretary Hay toward bringing about the reconvening of The Hague tribunal a disturbance was created by the efforts of a numerous contingent to prevent the adoption of laudatory resolutions.

The opposition was led by an earnest speaker, who stated that Secretary Hay was dominated in his act by the money powers of Great Britain and Europe. Supporting the speaker's attack the opposition hissed Hay's name vigorously. It required four votes to adopt the resolutions.

Gen. Porter's Daughter Engaged.

Paris, Jan. 3.—The engagement of Miss Porter, daughter of the United States ambassador, is announced to Dr. Mende, of Zurich, son of the celebrated physician who attended Mrs. Porter during her last illness, when she accompanied by her daughter, frequently visited Switzerland to consult with him.

Theo. Thomas Much Better.

Chicago, Jan. 3.—The condition of Theodore Thomas, director of the Chicago orchestra, who is ill of pneumonia, is so much improved that attending physicians say they have grounds for hope that he will pass safely through the crisis of the disease.

Arkansas Gets a Good Start.

Hope, Ark., Jan. 3.—As the result of an assault made by two negroes on a farmer named Nobbs, near Spring Hill, ten miles south of Hope, one of the negroes, White Jetton, has been taken from Constable Nelson and lynched.

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THEREFORE, be it resolved, that we, the members of St. Cecilia's Court, extend to the bereaved parents sisters and brothers, our heart-felt sympathy,

WHEREAS, by her death her family has lost a kind and loving sister and dutiful and devoted daughter, be it further resolved that we, the members of St. Cecilia's Court, will always cherish in memory her pure and Christian though short life; also be it resolved that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the records of this court, a copy be sent to the bereaved family of sister McMahon and a copy be sent to the official organ of the Womens Catholic Order of Foresters.

Mrs. MARGARET CLARK,
Miss SUSAN BROWN,
Miss MARGARET SHEEHAN,
Committee.

Report of Will School, South Dixon, for the month ending Dec. 28th. Number of pupils enrolled 16. Number of days of school 21.

Grand total number days attendance 307½. Average daily attendance 14.

Those not absent or tardy: Mary Brechon, Cora Meese, Frank Brechon, Bessie Gwynn, Rosie Brechon, Adeline Brechon, Raymond Brechon.

MAUDE CHEATLE Teacher.

Dixon Boy Opens Attorney's Office.

Attorney Ed. E. Davies on Saturday afternoon leased a suite of rooms on the second floor of the Lebowich building and today opened them for the general practice of law. He is a Dixon boy born and bred and his stay in Chicago for the past two years has given him an experience which is of much value. THE TELEGRAPH speaks for him a liberal patronage.

Dance at Gap Grove.

The Imperial Mandolin orchestra of Dixon will play for the dance which be given at Gap Grove tomorrow night.

—Wm. J. Bryan will make the annual address on the observance of Gen. Grants' birthday anniversary in Galena, April 27th, this year.

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BEGINNING OF ILLINOIS

We have read with much interest a pamphlet written by William A. Meese of Moline, this state, entitled the "Beginnings of Illinois." We are particularly impressed by the ability—we may say genius—displayed in condensing so much history into so small a space.

That part of his book wherein he treats of the Northern Illinois boundary dispute is particularly interesting. It would appear that it was the statesmanship of Nathaniel Pope, who represented this territory in Congress, that gave Illinois Chicago, Dixon and the best part of Illinois.

Under the ordinance of 1787 the northern boundary of Illinois was inferentially established "on a line east and west from the southerly bend or extreme south limit of Lake Michigan."

Had this line been established as the northern boundary of Illinois Chicago would now be in the state of Wisconsin, as the Southern line of that state would have extended about sixty miles farther south, running from the southern bend of Lake Michigan to a point on the Mississippi river near Moline; and the counties of Lake, McHenry, Boone, Winnebago, Stephenson, Jo Davis, Carroll, Ogle, DeKalb, Kane, DuPage, Cook, Lee and Whiteside; and a portion of the northern portions of Rock Island, Kendall, Will and LaSalle would now be in Wisconsin instead of Illinois.

A person not having undertaken such a work can hardly realize the labor required in making the researches for such a book, probably, however, no man in the United States has the material at hand, which Mr. Meese has gathered for such a history. His library contains the most complete historical collection of the early history of Illinois, and the West, of any private library in the country, and he has much " quaint and forgotten lore " that cannot be found in the great public book collections. We have had the pleasure of glancing through his book cases.

We were much surprised to learn by this little book that many citizens of northern Illinois favored the proposition of becoming citizens of Wisconsin instead of this state. Meetings were held, long after this state was admitted into the Union, at Dixon, Freeport, Galena and other towns, and resolutions passed favorable to the proposed annexation, as that is what it would be at that time, to Wisconsin.

HE'S ALL RIGHT.

An item copied from a Chicago paper informed the people of Dixon that United States Attorney S. H. Bethea might not when President Roosevelt again made up his jewels, include our much esteemed fellow citizen in the list of favored appointees but we have assurance from good authority that Mr. Bethea stands well with President Roosevelt, and is often consulted in regard to affairs of state by high authority. Mr. Bethea was we believe re-appointed by President Roosevelt and furthermore his commission will not expire for some time yet.

A Handsome Souvenir.

Some of the members of St. Paul's Lutheran church have gotten out handsome aluminum souvenirs bearing a photograph of Rev. W. L. Rutherford and a reproduction of the church and parsonage. The lower part of the souvenir contains a perpetual calendar.

Corrected Fire Loss.

In the report of the fire department was an item of loss of C. H. Keyes & Son, paid \$51.00 and \$5,000 policy carried. This was an error. The \$5,000 policy in question is on the building, owned by Maj. O. J. Downing and \$31.00 was paid him. The loss of C. H. Keyes & Son was about \$30.00 on lumber etc, in yard at rear of building and no loss was paid them as their policies are made to cover contents of building only.

—Albert Burnham returned to Chicago yesterday.

—Gus Barlow and son Frank returned to their home at Kasson, Minn., after a week's visit at the Abner Barlow home on Galena avenue.

Will Commence
Thursday
Morning
January 5
Lasts 10 days

GREATEST OF ALL JANUARY
Clearance Sales
AT THE
R. W. Thompson Store

Double
Blue
Trading
Stamps
During entire
Sale

COMMENCES THURSDAY MORNING, JANUARY 5th
And Lasts 10 Days

UNTIL SATURDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 14th.

Double Blue Trading Stamps During This Sale!

We're determined to sell every piece of Winter goods. We're determined that our stock shall be absolutely clean and fresh with the new season. We're determined that if reductions will accomplish our purpose all this merchandise will find new owners quickly.

6 Ladies' Tailor-made Suits, was \$15, now.....\$ 7.50
2 " " " " was \$20 and \$25 now 10.00
9 " Cloaks, was \$12, now.....\$ 7.50
10 Misses' Glocks at 1-2 Price.
1-4 off on all Ladies' Dress Skirts.

And Remember Double Blue Trading Stamps During This Sale.

The R. W. Thompson Store

MEN'S SOCIAL RECEPTION

Men of Baptist Church Pleasurably Entertain Friends Monday Night.

The male members of the Baptist church of this city gave a New Years, social reception to their friends Monday evening in the lecture-room of the church, which was enjoyed by a goodly number, old and young, between the hours of 7 and 10 o'clock.

Sickness and necessary absence interfered somewhat with the program as arranged; but the occasion, nevertheless, was one of real enjoyment. At about nine o'clock Pastor Billings, who is equal to any social emergency, called the company to order and in explanation of the missing links in the program, said the occasion reminded him of the story of the man with one hand, who excited much curiosity at a certain summer resort. Being interrogated as to the missing member, he promised to reveal the cause if no further questions were propounded. All agreed to ask no further questions if he would state the cause of his mutilation when he remarked, "It was bitten off." After explaining how the program of the evening had been bitten off, Mr. Billings introduced Rodney Ayres, who gave a brief and interesting address on the spiritual work of the church with especial reference to preparation for the contemplated series of revival services next month.

J. L. Frost was then called on for extemporaneous remarks, and spoke very happily on the social work of the church. The guests were then invited to the dining room, where members of the Baraca class served a bountiful supply of refreshments, consisting of ham sandwiches, coffee and cake.

Shortly after ten o'clock farewells were spoken and the company began to separate, expressing in word and look the fact of a pleasant evening well spent.

PINE CREEK COUPLE WED

Miss Lela Adams and Frederick Holzhauser Married Monday.

It was a quiet wedding that united Frederick Holzhauser and Lela Adams in marriage at the noon hour in the Presbyterian parsonage 703 North Crawford avenue Monday. In the morning the bride and groom accompanied by Fred Adams, Marie Hansen, Bryant Mathias, and Della Adams drove from Pine Creek, arriving at the North Side parsonage soon after 12 o'clock. Fred Adams and Marie Hansen stood up with the happy couple, while the simple and impressive ceremony was pronounced by Dr. Cryer that made them one. After a brief rest the merry party started on their return to their Pine Creek home, where the groom is a prosperous farmer. The friends of the young people feel that they have begun the New Year well, and wish for them, not one, but many happy New Years of married life.

If You Don't

need or want them we might sell carpets for 5c yard without arousing your interest,

However

If you do care to look over goods in this line the specials we're offering will surely catch your cash.

Biggest

Carpet, Rug and Curtain stock ever shown in Dixon.

THE KEYES

FURNITURE AND CARPET ROOMS

The Greatest Home Furnishing Concern in Northern Illinois.

216-218 FIRST ST.

PHONE 10

Shoes and Slippers
For Holiday Giving.

Useful Gifts at Pleasing Prices.

WE have a splendid selection of Holiday Footwear. Every pair suitable for some one you know—be it man, woman or child. A nice line of Ladies' Warm Fur Trimmed Slippers in colors and black—popular prices. Men's Leather and Felt Slippers—nice selection, Men's and Women's Footwarmers, warm and cosy, sold only at this store.

Splendid New Line of Our "\$3.00 Special Shoes" for Ladies SPECIALLY selected for New Years Giving—Hand-turned or Goodyear Welt sewed in Vici Kid or the dull Velour Calf, a popular winter shoe. Shoes purchased at this store as Christmas gifts will be exchanged after Christmas or money refunded.

Ford's Cash Shoe Store

110 E. FIRST ST., DIXON.

Inventory Sale

Buy furniture now and save a day's wages. This can be done if you will come prepared to buy one or two pieces of furniture. And what money is easier earned than that which you save in this way? You get furniture that lasts a lifetime and will be a joy for years. Ponder over such economy as this.

Green Trading Stamps

GEO. J. REED

Cabinet Maker.

112 East First Street

Vaile & O'Malley
DIXON'S PROGRESSIVE CLOTHIERS.

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PLUMBING & HEATING CO.

SUCCESSORS TO
H. O. Soper, Otto Witzleb
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The services of Otto Witzleb
and John Lorenz will be re-
tained and the same high
standard of work will be
done in the future as in the
past.

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All Work Guaranteed.
214 West First St., Dixon, Ill.
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OPEN NIGHTS.

"Standard"
Porcelain Enameled Foot Baths

afford an ideal place for taking the
"hot foot bath," so often urged and
prescribed for the relief of colds and
preservation of the general health.



After the day's work or a walk, its use
is refreshing and invigorating. Can
also be used to good advantage for
bathing the smaller children.
They are made in different sizes and
numerous beautiful designs. Let us
tell you the cost—the price will agree-
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111 East First St.—Next to Express
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40c qt.

W. C. JONES,
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FOR SALE
...At a Bargain...

4 Seven-Room Houses, one on
Galena Ave., and two near
Bluff Park, and one on Hen-
nepin Ave.

Two Desirable Building Lots.
Easy terms.

JOHN M. JULIEN
Over Post Office.

—John Dille returned to Chicago
this morning after a visit in the city.
—Mrs. Mamie Clark returned last
evening from a week's visit with rela-
tives in Harmon.

DEMENT-TOWN DOINGS

He borrowed of his friends an X
To bet that he could quit his drinking
But took no thought of quaffing water
And therefore loses I'm a-thinking

Operator John Gleason was up from
Nelson new year's day.

Alderman Ferris and wife spent
Sunday with relatives here.

Section Foreman George Stauffer
spent new year's day at Polo.

Herbert Scrivenger is home from a
visit at his former home in Canada.

Henry Murphy started out on a sell-
ing trip this morning after a holiday
visit at home.

Conductor Hawley of the Peoria
passenger is home from a visit to
Green Bay, Wis.

Mrs. J. B. Straffer returned to Chi-
cago yesterday after a visit with rela-
tives in this city

Ed. Winders is now assisting regu-
larly at the Dement-town Pharmacy,
beginning his duties Saturday night.

Milton Stahl, bill clerk at the Illi-
nois Central, has returned from La-
nark where he attended the funeral of
a relative.

Will Smith, brother of Andy Smith,
returned to Harmon yesterday, where
he is playing with Roe's orchestra at
the Catholic fair.

Elmer Rynearson, A. G. Graham
and E. S. Munson went hunting near
Prairieville with hounds yesterday
and gathered in fifteen rabbits.

W. H. Cramer and wife have re-
turned from a visit of a number of
days in Iowa. Mr. Cramer has just
been promoted to carpenter foreman
on the Wisconsin division of the Illi-
nois Central.

Paul G. Lord's employees have nearly
completed a handsome truck wagon
for John Kennedy. It is built extra
strong and will take care of almost
any weight capable of being placed
on it.

A remarkable group in the matter
of age was assembled in the Dement-
town barber shop Saturday morning.
It was made up of Ira Coakley,
Lawrence McDonald, Frederick A.
Albright, W. C. Woolley, Michael
Hogan, Ben Remaley and a stranger
none of whom was less than fifty-five
and the eldest seventy-six years of age.

Tilson's Toilet Cream is one of the
nicest things we have ever seen for
healing chapped hands and for moist-
ening and softening the skin when it
is rough and dry. This lotion is
delicately perfumed, very cooling and
pleasant to use, and quickly restores
the skin to its natural smoothness.
Price 25 cents. Made and sold by the
DEMENT-TOWN PHARMACY.

Boys Found Money.
Enele Reuland, Ray McGowan and
John Carroll found the parts of three
torn dollar bills in front of Moyer &
Earl's store today.

Many Want to Aid Mission.
Judging from numerous replies that
he has received, H. W. Otto, a con-
verted iron worker, turned evangelist,
will have no trouble in selecting
"a Christian" to assist him in start-
ing a mission.

Mr. Otto is carrying the following
advertisement in The Tribune:
PERSONAL—WANTED—A CHRISTIAN, TO
assist a missionary to start a mission. Ad-
dress P. 599 Tribune office.

The replies received yesterday were
from all parts of Chicago and were
mainly from young men.
"I want to start a church somewhere
on the northwest side," said Mr. Otto,
"I want some capable and active per-
son to assist me. I am not a regularly
ordained minister, but believe I have
a call for the work. I have been con-
ducting evangelistic services in my
neighborhood for the last two years."

Mr. Otto during the day works at
his trade. His evenings he devotes to
religion.

ECNY CREEK.
Honey Creek, Ill., Jan. 3.—Mr. and
Mrs. V. E. Reed returned home from
Chicago last Tuesday where they had
been to spend Christmas with their
sisters, Elmer and Ernest, and families.
Wm. Frin of Light House has been
very sick the last few days but at
this writing is a little better.
Ernest Averill returned to his work
at Oregon Wednesday after spending
Christmas with his parents.
Millard Parlin and wife spent New
Years with Oregon friends.
Charlie Hazelton was a brief caller
at Dayville Sunday

THE WEEK OF PRAYER

Is Being Observed This Week at
the Presbyterian and the
Methodist Churches.

UNION SUNDAY NIGHT SERVICES

Beginning January 15th and Continu-
ing Until Sunday Meetings.

The week of prayer is being ob-
served each evening this week in both
the Methodist and Presbyterian
churches, beginning last evening. An
excellent and well attended service
was held last evening at the Metho-
dist church under the leadership of
the pastor. The public is invited to
succeeding services.

AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.
The week of prayer will be observed
at the Presbyterian church this week.
The topic for tonight is "Prayer for
the Visible church."

This week is a preparation for the
Communion service next Sunday
morning. There will be a meeting of
the session on Wednesday and Friday
nights to receive new members and
transact other business.

Members of church and congrega-
tion are urged to attend these
services.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES.

Meetings will be every night this
week except Saturday at the Congre-
gational church. The meeting last
night was introduced by a sacred con-
cert from a phonograph operated by
Mr. Bickford of Chicago from records
furnished by Smith & Moyer.

Rev. Billings will speak tonight and
there will be special music.

Tomorrow evening after the service
there will be held the annual election
of officers and business meeting of the
church. Refreshments will be served.

UNION MEETINGS.

In preparation for the Sunday re-
vivals union services will be held in
the churches of Dixon four Sunday
nights beginning with the 15th inst.
Arrangements for these meetings
were made at the meeting of the Min-
isterial Association Monday when Rev-
erends Craven and Stone were ap-
pointed a committee to arrange a
schedule of places and speakers for the
meetings. The schedule is as follows:

Jan. 15.—Presbyterian, Rutherford;
Lutheran, Cryor; Christian, Craven;
Evangelical, Billings.

Jan. 22.—Methodist, Rutherford;
Congregational, Rife; Baptist, Stone;
Evangelical, Cryor.

Jan. 29.—Presbyterian, Craven;
Lutheran, Rife; Christian, Billings;
Evangelical, Brooks.

Feb. 5.—Methodist, Cryor; Congre-
gational, Stone; Baptist, Brooks;
Evangelical, Rutherford.

GRAND DETOUR.

Grand Detour, Ill., Jan. 2.—Mrs. C.
A. Sheffield and Miss Trask drove to
Oregon Monday to attend the Bur-
right reunion.

John Brown and son Frank of Rock
Falls called on friends Monday.

Mrs. L. S. Cool is entertaining a
niece from Monroe, Wis.

Claud Smith and son returned to
their home in Nebraska, Tuesday.

Reverend's Street and Stauffer are
holding meetings at the Christian
church.

Fred Earl returned to his home in
Chicago Wednesday.

W. E. Sheffield drove to Dixon Fri-
day.

A. H. Sheffield was in Polo Friday
on business.

Will Frey came home from Chicago
Saturday.

G. L. Bradley returned to his home
at Marshalltown, Iowa, Saturday.

Messrs. Van Dyke and Schumaker
were in Dixon Saturday.

Miss Besse Johnson came home
from Paris, Ill., Saturday.

Miss Besse Pankhurst went to Dix-
on today. Tomorrow she goes to
Chicago for a month.

WILLOW CREEK.

Lee, Ill., Jan. 3.—Edward Hanson,
who spent Christmas here, left for
his home in Oregon, Ill., Thursday.

E. H. Morgan of DeKalb was in town
on business last week.

Thomas Selvig and wife of Dawson,
Minn., were visiting friends here dur-
ing the holidays.

James Beels wears the star now
days, as he was appointed marshal.

Lottie Erbes celebrated her six-
teenth birthday with a party Wednes-
day evening.

A surprise party was given to
Martin Bly and wife Thursday even-
ing and they were presented with a
set of silver knives and forks.

A dancing party was tendered to
W. D. Erbes and wife Saturday even-
ing and they were presented with a
fine rug.

Tuesday, Dec. 27, occurred the wed-
ding of George Mullins of Willow
Creek to Miss Ethel Houghtby of
Shabbona township. They are spend-
ing their honeymoon in Iowa.

FOR INDOOR RANGE.

Captain C. E. Frisby Receives Targets
and 5,000 Cartridges;

Captain Charles E. Frisby of Com-
pany G, Sixth Regt. I. N. G., has re-
ceived a communication from the I.
N. G. headquarters at Chicago, in-
forming him of the means being taken
to provide indoor rifle ranges for the
companies. A blue print which ac-
companied the letter shows how the
range is to be laid out in the ar-
moriums.

He has received the necessary cast
iron targets and 5,000 cartridges.

Heretofore, or rather since indoor
rifle practice has been in vogue, the
local militia members have been prac-
ticing with the regular common 22
calibre rifle. From now on they will
use the regular U. S. magazine rifle,
the war weapon now in use in the
army. The heavy shell for these mag-
azines will not be used, however, but
in their stead will be the Smith &
Wesson .32-calibre revolver cartridge
as an auxiliary. The regular cart-
ridge would be too strong and these
are substituted. Capt. Frisby also
received the ammunition allotted the
company. Each member receives a
hundred rounds, this to last him the
season through. The captain must
keep a record of this and make out re-
ports informing the department of the
distribution and how it is used.

But very few changes will have to
be made on the indoor range at the
armory here. The specifications of
the order call for the range to be 50 to
75 feet. At all the practice firing
there shall be an officer present to
look after matters. He shall super-
vise the shooting, etc. Everything is
explained in detail.

The indoor ranges with the practice
of the magazine gun will be of great
benefit to all companies. The prac-
tice with the rifle has been a source of
help getting the men in shooting
trim, but the latest move will be
much better.

NACHUSA.

Nachusa, Ill., Jan. 3.—The Nachusa
cornet band has reorganized and will
practice on Monday and Friday nights
of each week. All members are ur-
gently requested to be present.

D. C. Beightell spent New Year
Day in Eldena.

A train load of coal arrived here
Sunday afternoon and was much ap-
preciated by our many citizens who
own empty coal bins.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shenk of Dixon
and son John, took dinner at the Geo.
Emmert home Monday.

The Misses Irene and Mildred Rus-
sell of Chicago have been visiting at
the J. S. Eicholtz home the past week.

HARMON.

Harmon, Ill., Jan. 3.—The farmers
were drawing grain last Friday and
Saturday.

Jesse R. Titus and family of Ashton
were visiting at the home of Anson
Hills.

A notice of M. Kugler was visiting
at his home last week.

The wife of Frank Parker has been
sick for some time.

Wm. Kugler is having his building
painted on the inside which he has
rented to John McCullough for a res-
taurant. It is the building formerly
occupied by Mrs. Warden for that
purpose. Mrs. Warden has been talk-
ing of moving to Nebraska.

Mrs. Buckingham of Marion has
been sick for a few days, but is now
better.

The dredge north of Harmon is at
work now every day.

Mr. Taylor, who has been the past
two years on the Cady farm, has
moved to Sterling

NIHIL.

A Cent For a Word.

A poor man may possess a wit so
fine that it is capable of doing him a
great deal of service and then wait
a long time before an opportunity
comes for him to exercise it profitably.
This was the case with an elderly
tramp who was once intrusted, for
want of a better messenger, with an
errand to the Duke of Bedford.

"Well, you're a queer fellow," said
the duke on seeing him. "What is
your name?"

"My name is Russell, your grace."

The duke laughed heartily, for his
own name was Russell.

"And how about your coat of arms?"

asked the duke. "Is that the same as
the Duke of Bedford's?"

"Ah, your grace," said the man, "our
arms may be much the same, but I
fancy there's a slight difference in our
coats."

As this fact was only too apparent,
the duke sent for a good coat of his
own and gave it to the man.

Fruit Cookies.

Two cups of sugar, two-thirds of a
cup of butter, a cup of chopped raisins,
half a cup of water, an egg and three
teaspoonsful of baking powder. Flavor
with cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg.
Cream the butter and sugar, add the
other ingredients and flour enough to
render it stiff enough to roll out. Bake
in a quick oven.

Fried Beef.

Heat two tablespoonsful of butter or
bacon fat in a frying pan. Put into
this about one-fourth of a pound (a cup
loosely packed) of thin sliced dried
beef and stir and cook until nicely
heated. Then serve at once on a hot
dish. The beef is often fried before
it is added to a cream sauce.

NEW YEAR'S EVENTS

Dixon Club New Year Ball Last Even-
ing Was Auspicious Opening
of Twelve-Month.

DINNER PARTY, DR. MOORE HOME

Kendall Club Dance Party Is An-
nounced—Other Social Events.

The new year was opened very aus-
piciously at the Dixon Club rooms
last night with a ball which was
highly enjoyed by a large number of
guests. The ball room was decorated
pleasingly and the music by Newman's
orchestra was good. Refreshments
were served by St. Agnes' chapter of
the Guild. Fifty-five couples were
present. Out-of-town guests were:
Mrs. Martin Wasley, A. G. and Fred
Fitch, Chicago; Miss Curi, St. Louis;
Dudley H. Walbridge, New York;
Messrs. Sheets and Lawrence, Ster-
ling.

KENDALL CLUB CHARITY.

The Kendall Club will give a dan-
cing party on Monday, January 16, at
the George Rosbrook hall. Newman's
orchestra will furnish the music. The
club feels the object of this dance is
one the public will be interested to
learn about. It is for the benefit of
an exceptionally pathetic case and one
that will appeal to every charitable
minded person. Mrs. McKay, whom
the club has kept at the hospital, was
found perfectly helpless and in a con-
dition too painful to express. She
was a helpless invalid for eight years,
unable to be of any assistance to her-
self or her family. After Mrs. McKay
was placed in the hospital, the sur-
roundings and the excellent care of
the nurses seemed to be of the great-
est benefit to her. She gained physi-
cally and mentally, until on New
Year's Day, for the first time in eight
years, she was able to feed herself.
It has been the earnest hope
of the club to keep Mrs.
McKay in the hospital until
spring, but owing to the constant
drain on the club's treasury it does
not seem possible unless the club re-
ceives assistance from some source.
For this reason the dance is being
given and the club feels "sure its
friends will be glad to assist them to
the extent of buying a ticket. The
tickets will sell for \$1 and ladies un-
accompanied by escorts will be ad-
mitted for 25 cents.

A DINNER

Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Moore at their
Bluff Park home entertained at dinner
at 6:30 last evening, Misses Josephine
Morse, Helen Stephens, Theresa
Morse, Avis Dement and Mary Chand-
ler, Messrs. Sheets, and Jud Lawrence
of Sterling, Dick Dement and Brett
Brubaker. The party, chaperoned by
the host and hostess, attended the
Dixon club new year party later in
the evening.

To Protect Hickory Trees.

The increasing scarcity of hickory
wood in the United States has alarm-
ed the manufacturers of wooden vehi-
cles to such an extent that at a meet-
ing held at the Great Northern hotel
the advisability of taking the matter
before congress was discussed. Hickory
trees recently have been attacked by
an insect, which it is said, is fast de-
stroying that class of timber. At the
meeting it was declared that unless
the government took action practi-
cally all hickory trees in the United
states will be destroyed in ten years.

Ladies Free.

That's the inducement which North
Bros. Co. offer theatre goers tonight.
The matinee and night performance
yesterday were well patronized. The
specialties carried by this company
are especially good. The plays while
not very heavy, were presented by an
admirable company and one that
might easily play much more sub-
stantial dramas. The management
claims that these plays were picked
expressly for a holiday crowd, and that
the balance of the week the plays will
be more serious. The supreme test of
their strength will come Friday night
when they play "Camille."

FRANKLIN GROVE.

Franklin Grove, Ill., Jan. 3.—Mrs.
Harrison Hausen has been on the sick
list the past week.

Mrs. Margretta Gilron spent the
holiday week with relatives in Aurora.
Henry Hausen and Miss Adella
Hausen returned to Erie, Saturday.

Mrs. F. E. Hall entertained her
sister and family of Amboy.

Mrs. G. Marvin is visiting her son at
Mt. Morris.

KEEP STRAIGHT.

The Radium Shoulder Brace
for Men, Women and Children.
See them at
Waigreen-Davis Drug Co.

SEE

THOSE

98c

SHOES

FOR

Children

—AT—

E. W. Farrand

94 GALENA AVE.

5c STORE 10c
R U A Judge

If so use your judgment on our GRANITE WARE we
will make a special price for one week. We have just re-
ceived a new lot of novelties of all kinds.

NOTHING OVER 25
IN THIS STORE.

Sayner & Moore
92 GALENA AVE.

HIGH GRADE PIANOS.

Have a line of reliable instruments at reasonable prices which would be
pleased to have you investigate. Also a complete and well-selected stock
of Pictures and Framing for the Holiday trade.

FRANK W. ZUHL
MUSIC AND ART DEALER.
110 GALENA AVE. DIXON, ILL.

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CRISIS FOR COLORADO

Legislature is to Tackle the Question of Who is the State's Governor.

PEABODY HAS THE POSSESSION

Can Hold on Until His Successor is Elected and "Qualified"—LaFollette Inaugurated—Dickering in Delaware.

Denver, Colo., Jan. 3.—Penbody men selected their man at the Republican caucus, W. H. Dickson, of this city, as speaker of the next house. He has not been active in politics. The Republican leaders have not yet determined positively upon their line of action after the legislature is opened. A plan that is meeting with favor among many members of the legislature is to follow the action of the supreme court in reviewing the vote in this city. It would be months before the legislative committee having this recount in charge would be prepared to report. The Republican leaders have no hesitancy in declaring that one of the things they will do is to unseat the Democratic Senators Born and Healey, who two years ago were given the seats of the Republicans, Dick and McDonald.

They Use Shafroth's Figures.

There are four other Democratic senators who may share the fate of Born and Healey, although it has not yet been definitely decided that they will be unseated. Ex-Representative Shafroth announced that 7,000 fraudulent votes had been cast for him at his election. The four Democratic senators were elected at the same time by pluralities approximating 4,000. The Republicans reason that if there were 7,000 fraudulent votes cast the four men who had pluralities of 4,000 could not have been elected.

Peabody Can Hold On.

Chairman D. B. Fairley, of the Republican state central committee, declared that it was an error for anybody to claim that the state constitution required the inauguration of a new governor on the first Tuesday after the first Wednesday of the legislative session. "The state constitution expressly provides," said Chairman Fairley, "that the governor shall hold over until his successor has duly qualified. There is no getting around that, and Governor Peabody will hold his seat until his successor has qualified properly."

LAFOLLETTE INAUGURATED

He Goes in for a Third Term—Treasurer Kempf Sworn in Also.

Madison, Wis., Jan. 3.—Robert M. LaFollette was inaugurated governor of Wisconsin for a third term and the following state officers for a second term: Lieutenant governor, J. O. Davidson; secretary of state, Walter L. Houser; attorney general, L. M. Sturdevant; treasurer, John J. Kempf; insurance commissioner, Zeno M. Host.

"The inauguration took place in the assembly chamber of the capitol," Chief Justice Cassiday administering the oaths of office. The inauguration was preceded by a military parade. Governor LaFollette was escorted by his opponent in the late campaign, ex-Governor Peck; ex-Governor Hoard and W. R. Taylor, of Cottage Grove, were also present. Ex-Governors Scofield and Upham, who opposed the election of Governor LaFollette in the late campaign, were not on hand.

No inaugural address was given. Instead Governor LaFollette will send a message to the legislature next week. Treasurer-Elect Kempf will not take office yet, as his bond has not yet been approved. Some doubt is still felt about Kempf getting office. An inaugural ball at the university gymnasium at night closed the festivities.

How'll They Make the Divvy?

Dover, Del., Jan. 3.—The warring Republican legislative factions are trying to "flop together." An offer of two-thirds of the sixteen legislative offices was given the nine "regular" Republicans by the twenty-two "Union" or Addicks Republican members of the legislature, the latter desiring to choose as their first two nominations the president of the senate and the speaker of the house. The regulars are thinking it over. The Addicks men have but twenty-two votes, five short of the number necessary to elect a United States senator.

It Is Toole's Third Term.

Helena, Mont., Jan. 3.—Joseph K. Toole, Democrat, took the oath of office for a third time as governor of Montana. In the afternoon Governor and Mrs. Toole held a public reception at the executive residence. All other state officers inaugurated were Republicans.

Unanimous for McCumber.

Bismarck, N. D., Jan. 3.—Port J. McCumber was the unanimous choice of the Republican legislative caucus for re-election to the United States senate. The caucus action is equivalent to re-election.

Col. William M. Ferry Dead.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 3.—Colonel William M. Ferry, brother of ex-Senator Thomas W. Ferry, of Michigan, is dead at Park City, Utah, aged 86 years. Colonel Ferry was a veteran of the civil war, and in 1872 was secretary of the Democratic national convention at Louisville.

PRESIDENT RECEIVES

Annual New Year Reception Calls Together a Brilliant Throng at Washington.

DIPLOMATS LEAD AS IS USUAL

Nearly 8,000 People Pass the Receiving Line, the Function Lasting Nearly Three and a Half Hours.

Washington, Jan. 3.—Official and resident Washington extended New Year's greetings to the president and Mrs. Roosevelt at the White House. The event—by brilliant and spectacular as the president's New Year's receptions always are—marked the formal opening of the social season of 1905, which will continue in a bewildering whirl of gaiety until the coming of Lent shall admonish all society that things spiritual, as well as things temporal, are to be observed. Everybody was welcomed at the White House from 11 a. m. to nearly 2:30 p. m.—high and low, rich and poor, and men and women of all colors.

"Hail to the Chief" Is Sounded.

As the callers entered the White House they were greeted by a burst of melody from the Marine band, sixty pieces strong, stationed in the great vestibule under the baton of Lieutenant Santelmann; a blaze of color, and a breath of perfume from beautiful floral decorations; and a scene of splendor, the brilliance of which was enhanced by the soft glow from myriads of shaded electric lights. The beginning of the reception was announced by a flourish sounded by trumpeters of the Marine band stationed near the foot of the main staircase. The fanfare signified the approach of the president.

President and Wife Appear.

Preceded by his military aide, Colonel Charles S. Bromwell, and his naval aide, Commander Cameron McR. Winslow, President Roosevelt, escorted Mrs. Roosevelt, descended the stairs, followed by the members of the cabinet and their ladies, constituting the immediate receiving party. The distinguished party proceeded to the Blue parlor, where the guests were received. The guests invited to be "behind the line," had already assembled in the Blue parlor, and after exchanging greetings with these and others assembled in the room the president and Mrs. Roosevelt took their stations and the reception began.

SOME COSTUMES THAT WERE WORN

Diplomatic Corps as Usual Head the Line of Those Calling.

The president was attired in a regulation frock suit and as usual wore a turn-down collar and dark four-in-hand tie. Mrs. Roosevelt was attired becomingly in yellow silk and velvet, and wore little jewelry. The gowns of the other ladies of the immediate receiving party were: Mrs. Hay, pale grey chiffon moire over silk, with lace and diamonds; Mrs. Shaw, white wool crepe trimmed with lace and chiffon; Mrs. Taft, blue chiffon trimmed with lace; Mrs. Wynne, white lace, shaded with light blue and light pink; Mrs. Morgan, white applique lace; Mrs. Hitchcock, bellotrope velvet; Mrs. Metcalf, pale green satin trimmed with lace.

Colonel Charles S. Bromwell made the introductions, and the first man introduced was Count Cassini, who, as dean of the diplomatic corps, headed the line of callers. This section of the event is always an interesting one because of the brilliant diplomatic uniforms worn, and none surpassed in brilliance of raiment and in the glory of the orders flashing upon his breast, the dean. Another notable figure, standing over six feet high, his breast covered with medals won in the field, was Sir Mortimer Durand, the British ambassador. Another visitor of interest was Obaldia, minister from Panama. So they filed by, the president and Mrs. Roosevelt having a greeting for each, until the diplomatic corps had passed. Many of the diplomats had ladies with them.

Then came the supreme court and the ladies of its members, United States court judges, and other jurists, ex-cabinet members and ex-United States ministers, senators and representatives, United States army, navy and marine corps, National Guard of the District, civil officers of the government, veterans of the civil war and the societies growing out of that and other wars, National Forestry Congress, and finally just plain citizens, who filed past from 1 p. m. to 2:27 p. m., the total number at the reception having been 7,718, nearly 1,000 more than called in 1904.

Having paid their respects to the president the members of the cabinet repaired to their homes, where each had arranged receptions on an elaborate scale. President Roosevelt closed his New Year's Day by attending the performance by Mme. Schumann Heink and her company of the comic opera "Love's Lottery" at the New theater.

Mormon Elected Speaker.

Boise, Id., Jan. 3.—The eighth general assembly of Idaho convened and organized, J. Frank Hunt, of Bannock county, a prominent Mormon, being elected speaker of the house. After organizing both houses adjourned for the day.

Costly Blaze at Long Branch.

Long Branch, N. J., Jan. 3.—Fire destroyed the department store of Jacob Steinback on Broadway, causing a loss of \$200,000.

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CAVEL TO SHURTLEFF

Practically Selected by the Republicans for Speaker of the House.

TRAUTMANN LACKS THE VOTES

Democrats Seek a Floor Leader—Four-Cornered Contest—Home for Old Ladies.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—Unless the unexpected happens Edward D. Shurtleff, of Marengo, will be the next speaker of the Illinois house of representatives, as the result of a protracted caucus held at the Leland hotel between Governor Yates, State Chairman West (representing Governor-Elect Deneen), Lieutenant Governor-Elect Sherman, and William E. Trautmann, of East St. Louis, heretofore regarded as the mostly likely winner in the race for the speakership. Trautmann withdrew from the contest. This settled the fight at once, as Trautmann's withdrawal was made on the understanding that all other candidates with the exception of Shurtleff would withdraw.

Votes That Trautmann Could Not Get.

The discussion over the speakership fight lasted for several hours. Trautmann finally became convinced that his fight was hopeless, sixty-two Republican votes in the house apparently being beyond his reach, and after a brief adjournment of the conference, during which Trautmann conferred with his friends, he announced to West and Governor Yates that he would not oppose the nomination of Shurtleff at the Republican house caucus which has been called for this afternoon. This is regarded as practically settling the matter, and the nomination of Shurtleff at the caucus seems certain.

Leadership of the Minority.

With the question of the speakership of the house practically disposed of interest centered on the fight over the minority leadership. As the matter now stands a brisk four-cornered fight for the honor of leading the Democratic minority in the house is on between Isaac B. Craig, of Mattoon; J. M. Gray, of Decatur; Thomas Tiptit, of Olney, and Douglas Patterson, of Freeport. The Democratic caucus has been called for 8 p. m. today. Craig, who has the backing of the Democratic state committee, apparently is in the lead at present, but a determined fight is being made by the other candidates, and a decidedly interesting session of the Democratic members of the house is looked for.

Other Matters to Come Up.

Besides deciding the speakership question the Republican caucus today will decide on the temporary speakership and the long list of house employees. Who the temporary speakership will go to seems to be an open question, although David E. Shanahan, of Chicago, or Cicero J. Lindly, of Greenville, both veterans in the lower house, seem to be most favored for this position.

HOME FOR OLD LADIES

First Cottage of the Institution, Bloomington's New Year's Gift, Has Been Duly Dedicated.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 3.—Bloomington received as a New Year's gift the first of a series of cottages for a home for old ladies which was dedicated with appropriate ceremonies. The home is an institution long needed in central Illinois and will forever perpetuate the memory of the late Mrs. Susan Withers, whose beneficence made the shelter possible. When Mrs. Withers died, following a residence of fifty years in this city, she bequeathed a valuable block of ground in the residence district of the north side, together with the Withers homestead, as a home for old ladies.

Mrs. Withers also bequeathed the Withers public library, one of the institutions of Bloomington, of which every inhabitant is proud. Her latest beneficence will now become available, following the completion of the first cottage and its dedication. There will be three more of these cottages. It is hoped to interest Abram Brokaw, Bloomington's eccentric millionaire, in the enterprise.

She Foretold Her Death to a Minute.

East St. Louis, Ill., Jan. 3.—Mrs. Margaret Traylor, aged 83 years, of Lebo, Kan., who for some months had predicted that she would die as the bells heralded the dawn of the new year, died at the home of her daughter here while the bells were ringing. Several months ago she began preparing her burial shroud with her own hands.

Inside of the Appropriation.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 3.—The Illinois commission to the Louisiana Purchase exposition did not exceed in expenditures the \$250,000 appropriated by the last general assembly. The financial report to the present time shows that there is remaining of the \$250,000 more than \$13,000, which will probably be increased to \$20,000.

Wedding of December and May.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 3.—The wedding of December and May, James Gaines, aged 80, and Lizzie Schultz, aged 28, celebrated at Danville, attracted much attention in Vermilion county. The groom is a wealthy farmer of Ridge Farm and for many years was the third largest taxpayer in the county.

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One of King's Dyspepsia Tablets at breakfasting even if you cannot eat but still will digest what you do eat and more in digestion. Dyspepsia, Stomach, Belching, and Weak Digestion. Rowland Bros.

The many friends of G. H. "Fausan" Engineer L. E. & W. L. E. at present living in Lima O. will be pleased to know of his recovery from threatened kidney disease. He writes: "I was cured by using Foley's Kidney Cure, which I recommend to all, especially stragglers who are usually afflicted." Rowland Bros.

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The Lighthouse Department Uses Seven Different Kinds.

Seven styles or kinds of buoys are recognized and used by the lighthouse department of our government. They are known as the nun, can, cone, ice, whistling bell and spar buoys, and according to their size, the nun, can and ice buoys are divided into four classes. The nun, can, cone and ice buoys are made of steel. The upper parts of these buoys are generally modeled in the frustum of a cone, with the exception of the ice buoy, which is similar in shape to a spar buoy, tapering at the ends.

These buoys are fastened to the ledge or bottom of the channel by means of chains, shackles, swivels and ballast balls, which move freely with the current of the water at all stages of the tides. The lower ends of the mooring chains of these buoys are also connected either to a sinker or a mushroom anchor, which is an anchor with a saucer shaped head on a central shank.

The bell buoy is a circular shell of steel, forming the main body or float of the buoy. The bells used are made of the best quality of bell metal, copper 80 per cent and block tin 30 per cent, and usually weigh about 200 pounds. We believe the government stipulation is that all bells for sea buoys shall weigh 200 pounds.

Perhaps the most ingenious of all the classes of buoys used by the lighthouse board is the whistling buoy, which is fitted with an apparatus by which air compressed by the movement of the waves is made to escape through a tube, thus producing a whistling sound. This apparatus consists of a whistle, a check valve and the necessary connecting pipes. The whistling buoy is protected by an outer guard or cage.

There are three classes of spar buoys, ranked according to length and size—from the first class, forty-five to fifty feet long, down to the fourth class, twenty feet in length, to be placed in position in accordance with the height of the incoming tide in order to be effective. These are usually moored to a mushroom anchor. There is also a starboard and a port hand buoy used for marking the course of the channels. These are cone shaped buoys about thirty feet in length, attached at the bottom end by shackles and straps.

The colors of the buoys are interesting. Red buoys mark the starboard or right hand side of the channel coming from seaward and the black the port or left hand side. Midchannel dangers and obstructions are marked with buoys having black and red transverse stripes and midchannel buoys black and white stripes. Buoys marking wrecks are painted green. The starboard and port buoys are numbered from the seaward end of the channel toward the harbor, the black bearing the odd and the red the even numbers.—Bangor Commercial.

Russia in the Eighteenth Century.

Peter the Great said of this country and said truly, "Russia is rotten before she is ripe." To realize the true meaning of these words and the fullness of their implication one must study in detail the reigns of Elizabeth and Catherine II. In Russia during the eighteenth century were to be found side by side the vices alike of savagery and civilization. Add to the lack of social instinct, of moral responsibility that is to be found in a Zulu kraal, the worst corruptions that are bred in courts like that of Louis XV., and one can form some faint notion of the Russian capital under Elizabeth and Catherine.

The country, as a whole, was oriental in its want of civil organization, but without the idealism of the east. The capital was a welter of blood and lust, barbarism and sophistry, atheism and superstition, drunkenness and savage violence, indolence and semi-inactivity. The moral condition was reflected in the physical. Never was there such a mixture of squalor and magnificence as in the palaces of the Empress Elizabeth. The richest and the most costly furniture were jumbled together. Filth and splendor were always alternating, and the vilest food was eaten off plates of gold.—London Spectator.

Blushing.

Darwin held that when we see or fancy that we are being criticised or closely observed our whole attention becomes concentrated upon our countenance. Then, just as an immediate effect may be produced upon the saliva by thinking of a lemon, our face relaxes in quick response, its veins relax and are filled with arterial blood. A later theory is that of M. Melnard, which is at least original. Blushing, he says, is due simply to confusion. We reddened because we feel that people are finding out something which we wish to hide. He supports his theory by showing that when the fear of being unmasked is removed there is no blushing. A child having nothing to hide does not blush. Lovers may blush when they meet so long as they desire to hide their sentiments, but not when this condition ceases.

Mental Processes of Ants.

Dr. Forel gives these examples of the mental processes of ants: "While success visibly heightens both the audacity and tenacity of the ant will, it is possible to observe after repeated failure or in consequence of the sudden and unexpected attacks of powerful enemies a form of dejection which may lead to a neglect of the most important instincts—to cowardly flight, to the devouring or casting away of offspring, to neglect of work and similar conditions. There is acute discouragement when a comb is lost."

SOME GIANT FISHES.

Four Kinds of Sharks Which Stand in the Front Rank For Size.

Of the numerous kinds of sharks noteworthy on account of their size there are four in the front rank. These are the sleeper shark, the man eater shark, the basking shark and the whale shark.

The sleeper shark, whose scientific name (Somniosus microcephalus, meaning sleepy small headed fish) fits it so admirably, appears to have developed its body at the expense of its brain, for it is a sluggish, stupid glutton, about six times as long as the average man. Its home is in the arctic regions, but it sometimes makes visits as far south as Massachusetts, Oregon and the British Isles. It is usually seen lying quietly at the surface, apparently dozing, and is easily approached by vessels, but sometimes when hungry it rouses itself and goes in search of its prey, fiercely attacking and injuring whales, apparently unconscious of the great difference in their respective sizes.

One of the largest and perhaps the most formidable of sharks is the "man eater," or great blue shark (Carcharodon carcharias). It roams through all temperate and tropical seas and is everywhere dreaded. Its maximum length is forty feet, and its teeth are three inches long. While there are few authentic records of sharks attacking human beings, there have undoubtedly been many cases of sharks simply swallowing people who have fallen overboard, just as they would swallow any other food. How easy it would be for a man eater to devour a person may be judged from the finding of a whole hundred pound sea lion in the stomach of a thirty foot shark on the California coast. A certain man eater thirty-six and a half feet long had jaws twenty inches wide inside and teeth two and a half inches long.

The basking shark, known also as the elephant shark and bone shark (Cetorhinus maximus), is an inhabitant of the polar seas, but is occasionally observed as far south as Virginia and California and some years ago was not rare on the English and New England coasts. It reaches a maximum length of fifty feet and is exceeded in size by only three or four animals now alive. Provided with small teeth, it feeds on fishes and floating crustaceans and is not of a ferocious disposition. It is dangerous only because of its great bulk, and when attacked its powerful tail easily demolishes small boats. The basking shark was formerly hunted on the coasts of Norway and Ireland for its oil. It was also sought on the shores of Massachusetts in the early part of the last century, and many of these sharks from twenty-five to thirty-eight feet long were recorded. The liver of a large specimen sometimes yielded twelve barrels of oil.

The largest of all fishes, the largest of all cold blooded animals and the largest of all existing animals, except a few kinds of whales, is the whale shark (Rhineodon typicus), originally discovered at the Cape of Good Hope, but now known in Japan, India, South America, Panama, California and elsewhere, a specimen having recently been obtained in Florida. This shark is said to attain a length of seventy feet and is known to exceed fifty feet.—St. Nicholas.

Importance of Will Power.

Force of character comes from a strong will. Characters that are not dominated by a powerful will must prove weak and unavailing in moments of emergency and temptation. If such a one attempts to achieve anything in life, he or she will fail at the first disapproval and discouragement. Force of character carries one through physical sufferings and grief in a way that makes another ashamed of himself or wonder at the secret of the heroism. In our whole health curriculum there is nothing so important as the cultivation of a strong will, which gives perfect faith in one's abilities and powers, and in our moral and spiritual world there is no factor greater for good results than that force of character which is often the direct outcome of a good physical condition. In a clean, healthy body there are apt to be a clean soul and mind, especially if a will that has been properly trained and educated dominates the whole life. People should be as ashamed of being sick lest death should overtake them as they are of being caught in crime or wickedness of any kind. Let the two go together, and we will have less sickness in the world or at least less of the imaginative sickness.—Lester Monthly.

Older Than the Chinese.

Older even than China, the oldest existing nation, are the cliff dwellings of southwestern United States, homes of a race whose very name has perished from the earth. Explorers, puzzling through the Mancos and Casa Verde canyons of Arizona and New Mexico, found the houses of this strange people in the wildest and most inaccessible of the mountain sides. Did the cliff dwellers antedate the pyramids of Egypt? Were they of blood relation to the early inhabitants of the land where the Nile is god? Some students are prepared to answer both questions affirmatively and to give what is to them abundant proof. The pottery from their long wrecked homes suggests Egypt, and the few inscriptions found have similar suggestions. Mummies, bodies wrapped in cloth, feathers from the breast of the turkey, have been dug from burial places among the cliffs, and in bone and hair much unlike the Indian of today there is a hint of resemblance to a more oriental type. If the cliff dwellers left any descendants, however remote, they are doubtless the Moki and Zuni Indians, who, resembling them in habits and appearance, are their closest kinsmen.—Chicago Chronicle.

YAMATO DAMASHII.

What It Is and Where It Finds Its Highest Development in Japan.

The ancestor worship of the Japanese is no superstition. It is the great essential fact of their lives. "Western people easily make fun of it," says one of their writers, "but therein lies the philosophy of our patriotism." It was of this feeling that Lafcadio Hearn wrote: "It is probably the most profound and powerful of the emotions of the race, that which especially directs national life and shapes national character. Patriotism belongs to it. Loyalty is based upon it. The soldier who to make a path for his comrades through the battle deliberately flings away his life obeys the will and hears the approval of invisible witnesses."

This is Yamato Damashii (the soul of Japan). It found its highest development in the lives of the military knights, the samurai of feudal days, whose code of precepts formed the Bushido, so cleverly expounded by Dr. Nitobe. Since the beginning of the present war there have been many explanations of the remarkable Japanese successes, but more than ever before it has been shown to be "the spirit that quickeneth" which has "won the battles on the Yalu, in Korea and Manchuria," "the spirit that quickeneth" which made the wonderful, long sustained attack on the superbly defended fortress of Port Arthur.

How Patent Leather Is Made.

Japaned leather, generally called patent leather, was first made in America. A smooth, glazed finish is first given to calfskin in France. The leather is carried expressly for this purpose, and particular care is taken to keep it as free as possible from grease. The skins are then tacked on frames and coated with a composition of linseed oil and umber in the proportion of eighteen gallons of oil to five of umber, boiled until nearly solid and then mixed with spirits of turpentine to the proper consistency. Lamplack is also added when the composition is applied in order to give color and body. From three to four coats of this are necessary to form a substance to receive the varnish. They are laid on with a knife or scraper. To render the goods soft and pliant each coat must be very light and thoroughly dried after each application. A thin coat is afterward applied of the same composition of proper consistency to be put on with a brush and with sufficient lamplack boiled in it to make a perfect black. When thoroughly dry it is cut down with a scraper having turned edges, when it is ready to varnish. The principal varnish used is made of linseed oil and russian ink, bottled to the thickness of printer's ink. It is reduced with spirits of turpentine to a suitable consistency to work with a brush and then applied in two or three separate coats, which are scraped and pumiced until the leather is perfectly filled and smooth.

Some English Caves.

The caves in the Mendips hills in England are of vast extent, perforating two masses of limestone lying on either side of a core of old red sandstone forming the center of the Mendips. Some are "swallow holes," absorbing rivers, others stalactite caverns. One, called Wookey hole, marks the emergence in the form of the river Axe of two streams "swallowed" some miles away. One of these swallows is 500 feet deep. Another cave, called Swildon's hole, is draped with wreaths and festoons of pure white stalactite. Lamb's Lair, on the northern side of the hills, is the most magnificent stalactite cavern in Great Britain, while adjoining Wookey hole another chamber has just been found with 1,200 stalactite pendants, all of dazzling whiteness. The famous spring which gives its name to the town of Wells is believed to come through hidden caverns from the higher parts of the Mendips.

The Lower Eocene Horse.

We may imagine the earliest herds of horses in the lower Eocene (Eohippus or "dawnhorse" stage) as resembling a lot of small fox terriers in size, only eleven inches or two and three-tenths hands at withers, covered with short hair which may have had a brownish color with lighter spots, resembling the sunbeams falling through the leaves of trees and thus protecting the little animals from observation. As in the zebra, the wrist (knee) was near the ground, the hand was still short, terminating in four hoofs, with a part of the fifth toe (thumb) dangling at the side. Despite its diminutive size of from eleven to fourteen inches, this little horse ranged from Mexico northward through Wyoming and far over continental Europe and Great Britain.—Century.

JAPANESE FARMERS.

If the Man's Lot Be Hard, His Wife's Is Still Harder.

If the lot of a Japanese farmer be hard, that of his wife is infinitely harder. She not only does an equal amount of labor in the field, but the care of the household and the responsibility of the children also rest upon her shoulders. From earliest infancy a Japanese girl is taught to be obedient to her parents and when she is about to be married her mother gives her thirteen rules by which to steer her bark on the rugged sea of Japanese married life. Among them are the following: "Be always kind to your mother-in-law and sisters-in-law." "Get up early, stay up late at night and do not take a nap in the daytime." "Be a good housekeeper, be economical in everything." It is well for the happiness of the girl who is about to become a farmer's wife that the last two commandments have been so instilled that she is prepared to regulate her life by them.

The first to rise, she is sure to be the last to retire, and when the male members of the family may be seen stretched on the floor taking their siesta the patient housewife may be seen mending some garment or else laboring in the field. It is scarcely necessary, however, to train her to be economical, for that is compulsory.

Before the farmer has awakened from his heavy sleep his little wife creeps from under the mosquito net, and, performing a hasty toilet, prepares the morning meal. When the other members of the family arise, the beds, which are heavy quilts placed on the floor, are carefully rolled up by the busy housewife and placed in the closet, there to remain until again required.

As there is so little furniture used in a Japanese house, and especially in that of a peasant, one would naturally think that the domestic duties would be very light. Such, however, is not the case.

When the bedding has been removed, the meal is then served in the same room. All the members of the family squat on the floor. The millet or rice, which is the principal and oftentimes only article of diet, is brought in a wooden bucket, and the wife ladles it out, serves her husband first and oftentimes waits until the whole family has finished before she partakes of the food herself.

When the husband has gone to the field the wife removes the dishes and washes them, together with any pots that may have been used at the neighboring well or in the stream that flows just outside her cottage door. These canals or streams are a great labor saving institution in Japan and are used for many and varied purposes. The farmer, tired and dirty after his day's work, refreshes and cleanses himself by a plunge into the running water. As one travels through the country at one point one may see a woman doing the family washing in the stream. Farther down the road the tired, travel stained pilgrim may be seen refreshing his weary feet by laying them in the same water. At other points travelers slake their thirst, dusky urchins disport themselves, and the overworked wife cleanses her dishes in it.—Ada L. A. Murcott in Pilgrim.

The Business Clergyman.

A young minister was called a few days ago to a church in a thriving eastern city. His predecessor had been a well known preacher whose sermons had attracted large congregations, but whose expressed belief was that the clergyman's single duty was the spiritual welfare of his people. The church had failed to meet current expenses for several years, and its considerable debt was increasing with mechanical regularity. The newcomer was not a wonderful orator, but he had a firm mouth and jaw. Within two years he was at the head of a smoothly running business organization whose departments were handled by men who understood their work and did it, which discounted its bills and reduced its old indebtedness. The church had become a working church.

"The church," he said one day, "is a temporal organization doing an entirely practical work. Business integrity is as necessary to its continuance and definite achievement as is necessary to its advance as in any other temporal organization."

"Your predecessor was right, however," spoke up one of his leading members, with a smile. "He always said the Lord would provide; the Lord did provide you."—Leslie's Monthly Magazine.

Moslem Amenities.

From the earliest times Mohammedan historians, except when in subjection, in describing the death of a Christian, do not say "he died" or "he was killed," but he went to Jahanna." They do not say of a Christian that he was drowned, but they say, "The dog went through water to fire." Not that these elegant phrases are confined to Christians. It is sufficient for a man to be not a Mohammedan to entitle him to "pursue the road to the realms of perdition," or to have his head "struck from his filthy body, so that the world may be gladdened by being cleansed from his polluting existence."

When the army of Islam goes to war with the Sikhs it is called "extermination of the hellish, good for nothing Gurus." The faithful, when they die, drink the sharab (which they ought not to do), or sherbet of martyrdom. Sometimes they pluck fruit from the fig tree of immortality. On the contrary, their enemies (may their mouths be crammed with mud) are sent in swarms to hades and the land purified of their existence. The fact is that the religion of Mohammed is a lighting religion. It is meant for conquerors, and for conquerors in the act of conquering.—Saturday Review.

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—Miss Amy Sickels left for Chicago this morning.

—A. L. French was here from Grand Detour Saturday.

—Atty C. B. Morrison returned to Chicago this morning.

—Miss Helen Brown is the guest of relative at Morrison.

—Justice A. G. Harris spent new year's day near Mendota.

—R. W. Thompson has increased advertising space on page 4.

—W. A. Myers of Milledgeville, is in our city today on business.

—Miss Ethel Leland is suffering with a severe attack of quinsy.

—Supervisor E. C. Parsons went to Burlington, Iowa, this morning.

—Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wasley were out from Chicago for new year visit.

—Prof. Krinbill and family spent New Years with friends in Rochelle.

—Miss Addie Rheint returned to Cedar Rapids after a short visit in the city.

—Homer and Earl Sennett are visiting at the Guy Trowbridge home in Nelson.

—Mrs. Jewett of Amboy was here Saturday having business at the court house.

—Mrs. Gracia S. Welch and daughter Corrol returned to Milwaukee this morning.

—Mrs. J. H. Hayes and daughter, Miss Blanche Hayes, went to Sterling Saturday.

—Dudley Walbridge of New York city has been visiting at Doctor Hunt's home.

—Miss Christine Thomson of Chicago is here visiting her sister, Mrs. O. L. Baird.

—Mrs. Bertha Gillespie has returned from a ten days visit with relatives at La Crosse, Wis.

—Mrs. John V. Clark and sister, Miss Hinchey of Sterling spent New Years in Chicago.

—The Pioneer Whist club will meet with Mrs. Geo. Squires tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

—Paul G. Lord's paint shop turned out a very conspicuous closing out sign for the Mercantile store.

—Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Blackman spent new year's day with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dillon of Sterling.

—Jesse Allen, wife and daughter Marie, are home from a holiday visit with her father, P. Doyle in Woosung.

—There will be a meeting of the Spanish-American war veterans at Armory hall, next Wednesday evening.

—Miss Harriet Barlow returned to her school in the Northwestern University at Evanston, this morning, after spending her holiday vacation at home.

—Alderman and Mrs. M. J. Gannon, with Mr. and Mrs. Silas Uhl left Saturday for Milwaukee for a visit with Mrs. L. E. McGreal. They will return Tuesday.

—The Knights and Ladies of Security will meet in Miller's Hall tomorrow evening at half-past seven o'clock. There will be initiation of several new members.

—The members of the Baptist church in Amboy gave a largely attended reception last Wednesday evening to the new pastor, Rev. W. T. Markland, and wife.

—Amboy News: Capt. Wm. S. Frost being unable to ride as far as Bradford to eat Christmas dinner with his daughter, Mrs. Andrew Aschenbrenner, was entertained at the home of P. W. Mason and family.

—E. S. Raffenberg, is here from Des Moines, Iowa, where he is attending the Still College of Osteopathy. He is here visiting relatives and the next time he comes we shall be entitled to call him Doctor.

—Attorney and Mrs. Manley P. Thornton are here from Heron Lake, Minn., on a visit, arriving today. Mr. Thornton, a former law student and resident of this city, has a large practice where he is at present located.

—When John Morley returned to London from his tour in this country, he was asked what impressed him most during his stay in the United States. In reply, he said: "Niagara Falls and Roosevelt; they both impress me as something that would go on forever."

—Lew Rosbrook, an old resident of Dixon, who came here with his parents in 1854 when a boy of six years, and left Dixon for Oscaloosa, Iowa, twenty-five years ago, spent New Years with relatives in this city. He is brimful of reminiscences of the early days.

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This is a verbatim report of a conversation that took place in an upper Broadway apartment one Thursday afternoon about six months ago: "Is this Mrs. So-and-so?" "It is."

"I am the assistant rector of the Jericho church."

"Oh, yes. Won't you come in?" "Thank you. I saw your name in the registry and have been trying to find time to call on you ever since I came to the church, but somehow I could not get around to this neighborhood until today. But I think I know your children. Your son sings in the choir, does he not?"

"Yes."

"And your little girl is in Miss Anderson's Sunday school class, is she?" "Yes."

"How old are the children?" "Willie is fourteen and Mamie is nine."

"Well, well, anybody would think your children were older than that."

"And he doesn't know to this day why that woman has stopped going to church."—New York Herald.

FAMILIAR HOSPITALITY.

The Way Villagers in the Orient Entertain Passing Strangers.

The villagers who entertain the stranger in their houses naturally enough expect him to talk to them, for thus only can he give them the return they anticipate for their hospitality. As a general rule they will accept no remuneration for the food and shelter they give, but they do expect payment for the feed of the animals.

The conversation one has to carry on with the host and the other villagers who drop in to see and pay their respects to the stranger is entertaining and even amusing as long as one is a novice in the country, because it is unsophisticated prattle, such as one must have heard in Europe in the middle ages. One unflinching topic is the rotundity of the world, the negative side of the question being always defended. They cannot believe that the sun remains stationary, for why should they disregard the evidence of their own eyes, which shows them that it does move across the vault of heaven? They ask you how much tribute your countrymen pay to their padishah (whom we wrongly call sultan), whose foot is upon the neck of all nations, as they firmly believe. They inquire minutely into your business at home and your reasons for travel in their country, etc. They handle with childlike joy and amazement your rifle and revolver, your knife, pen, pencils, your helmet and clothing, and the women can never have enough of feeling and fondling your socks, which are more evenly and closely knit than their own backwards homemade article.

One must submit to an examination of this kind wherever one stops, often several times a day. Finally it falls on the traveler unless he is gifted with the patience of Job, and from that moment he tries to avoid village hospitality. A further reason for such avoidance is the fact that the acceptance of the hospitality of villagers makes it impossible for the traveler to put into durable form his road notes of the day while matters are still fresh in his mind. For the scientific traveler or the archaeologist this is of the utmost moment. Now, among Turks writing in the house of your entertainer would simply be impolite and a boorish return for the hospitality, but Arabs regard the man who writes or draws as a spy, and will not permit it at all.—J. K. S. Sterrett in Harper's Magazine.

THE STEAMER STEWARD.

A Busy Man Who Carries a Heavy Load of Responsibility.

The comfort of the passenger depends perhaps more on the vigilance and executive ability of the chief steward than any one else. He it is who orders the supplies for the voyage, has a minute knowledge of what the store-rooms and refrigerators contain and sees that the menu for each meal is ample, well cooked and daintily served. He makes arrangements in port for the entire trip, plans each day's meals at sea and with the assistance of the chief cook gets up the menu card. You will find him mornings in his office, just off the grand staircase, making up his books and records, but during the rest of the day he is all over the ship, now taking a look at the store-rooms far below to see that groceries and provisions are rightly served out to the cooks, now inspecting the refrigerators to note the temperature and again watching the butchers with precise knowledge of how meats shall be cut and seeing that they are delivered to the cooks on time and in the right quantities.

All these things he is responsible for. But that is by no means all. He must also keep a minute record of all transactions of this sort and must have a watchful eye upon the passengers to note that his lieutenants among the men are giving them prompt and cheerful service. He has a record of every passenger traveling with him and all the details connected with his journey. If you sailed with him last year or twenty years ago he can refer to his books and tell you the date of the voyage, its duration, your room and seat and table and just what the stewards served to you.—Booklovers' Magazine.

Blamed It on the Mountain Air.

A new guest arrived at a New Hampshire farmhouse where a Boston gentleman happened to be holding forth on the piazza. The newcomer was much impressed by the speaker's fluency.

"I declare," he remarked to the landlord, "that man has an extensive vocabulary, hasn't he?"

The landlord was mightily pleased. "That's so," he said. "That's what mountain air will do for a man. He ain't been boardin' with me but two weeks, and I know he must have let his waistband out much as four times."—Rochester Herald.

Notes From Good Housekeeping.

Do not more than half fill the hot water bag and be sure to squeeze out the air before screwing down the stopper.

Slices of apple spread with cream cheese have been served repeatedly at a great hotel in New York of late, in luncheons.

Hang at least one picture in your kitchen in such a place that it will meet your eye a score of times daily. Let it be a landscape or a figure or a picture "that tells a story"—a pleasant one.

When a door or window sticks and is hard to open a little lard or vaseline applied to the part which rubs will often make it open easily.

When nutting, stop at an obliging farmer's and run the nuts through his hand corn sheller. It removes the hulls quickly and easily.

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